

Although anglers are still weeding through a lot of throwbacks to catch their keeper flounder, it wasn't the case on this day for fishermen on the "Lucky Break" with Capt. Jason Mumford and mate Jordan Stephens. The anglers boated 11 flatties, measuring between 18 and 23-inches, while drifting live bunker in the deep holes of the West Channel off Martha's Landing. Fishing on the "Lucky Break" were Ryan, Brian and Joshua Kline from Buck Run, PA, Ed Bosack from Forestville, PA and Jared Conville from Minersville, PA. Pictured at the Frontier Town dock.

#### Fish Facts



#### Blue Marlin Makaira nigricans

#### Key Distinguishing Markings:

- Blue Marlin are cobalt blue on top and silvery-white below, with a pronounced dorsal fin and a long, lethal, spear-shaped upper jaw.
- It has about fifteen rows of pale, cobalt-colored stripes, each of which has round dots and/or thin bars, located on both sides of the fish.

#### Size

- Females, which are significantly larger than males, can reach 14 feet in length and weigh more than 1,985 lbs.
- · Males rarely exceed 350 lbs. in weight.
- Average sizes tend to be in the range of 11 feet and 200 400 lbs.

#### Distribution:

- Blue Marlin are native to the tropical and temperate waters of the Atlantic, Pacific and Indian Oceans. They are a so-called "blue water fish", spending most of their lives far out at sea.
- The fish are highly migratory, and will follow warm ocean currents for hundreds and even thousands of miles.

#### Food Preference:

• Blue marlin feed on mackerel and tuna, but will also dive deep to eat squid.

#### Spawning:

 Marlin breed in late summer and fall, and females may spawn as many as four times in one season.

#### **Fun Facts:**

- Blue marlin are among the fastest fish in the ocean, and use their spears to slash through dense schools, returning to eat their stunned and wounded victims.
- Marlin can rapidly change color and usually appear bright blue when hunting.

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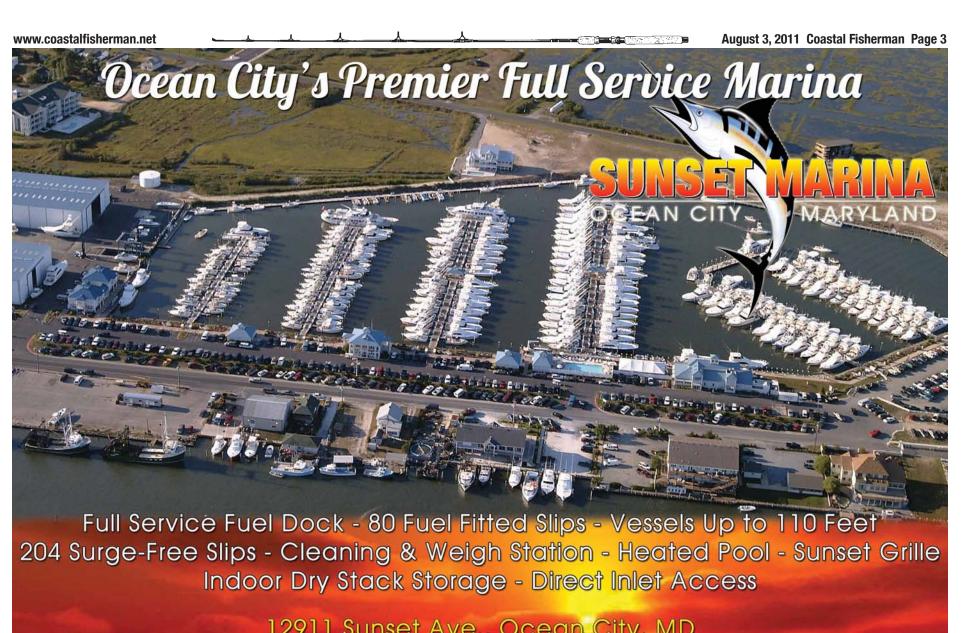


Jon Gross, John and Johnny Behrenberg, Sean and Tanner Hoskinson and Tony Markline had a great day chunking at the Hot Dog aboard the "Restless Lady" with Capt. Todd Kurtz and mate Brandon Baicco. The anglers ended up with 17 yellowfin in the box. Pictured at the Talbot Street Pier.

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Zak Smith of Rt. 113 Boat Sales released this white marlin while fishing on the "Deer Slayer" with Steve and Corey Lednum, Jay Light and Jimmy Bunting. The white, along with 6 yellowfin tuna, were all hooked inside the tip of the Washington Canyon.



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R.J., Ray and Ed Stuckey, Bill Covington and Fran Cole teamed up to land 12 yellowfin and a dolphin while chunking at the Hot Dog aboard the "Grasshopper".

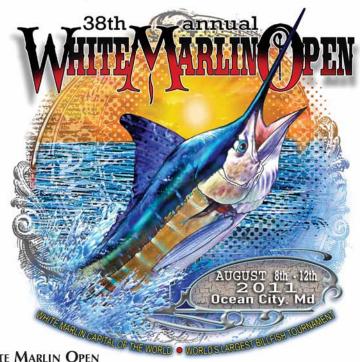




Kara Denny came all the way up from League City, TX and caught a 3 lb. sea bass while fishing on the "Morning Star" with Capt. Monty Hawkins and mates Mike Kinder and Rich Silvani. Kara used a chunk of clam for bait and is pictured at the Ocean City Fishing Center.



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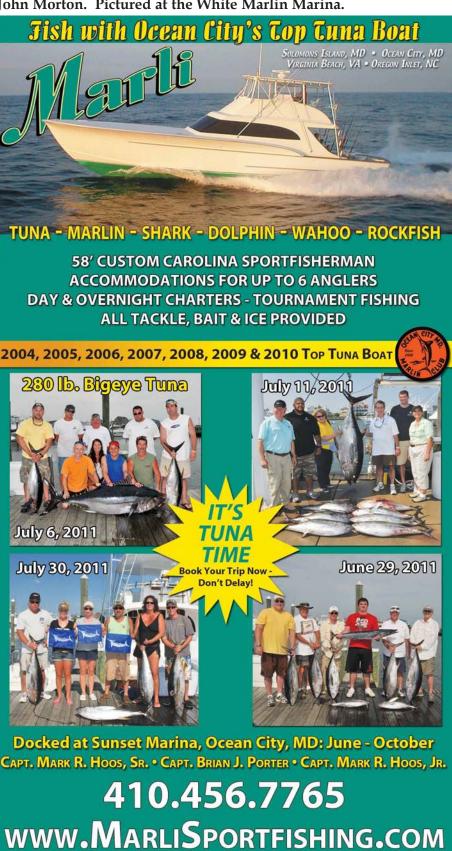
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Although anglers fishing around the South Jetty have been mostly releasing undersize stripers, Janet Skoner from Pittsburgh, PA managed to hook this 32-incher on a live spot while fishing on "Skip's Charter & Guide Service" with Capt. Skip Maguire and mate John Morton. Pictured at the White Marlin Marina.





fishing in the Delaware Bay for 35 years, but this is the heaviest flounder he has caught so far. The 11 lb. 12 oz. flattie attacked a shad dart tipped with squid, on 12 lb. test line at Reef Site 7. Weighed at Lewes Harbour Marina.



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Wes Major, Jim Curry, Dave Carlin, Thomas Borrell, Jim Mays, Jim Martelli and Erminio Savelloni boated 13 yellowfin tuna and a couple of dolphin while chunking at the Hot Dog on the "Katy Did" with Capt. Brent Weist and mate Dave Walker. Photo courtesy of Lewes Harbour Marina.



The Indian River Inlet produced these 32-33 inch stripers for Dave Smith and Jim Robinson of Milford, DE. The anglers were fishing with live spot aboard the "Crime Scene" and are pictured at Hook'em & Cook'em.

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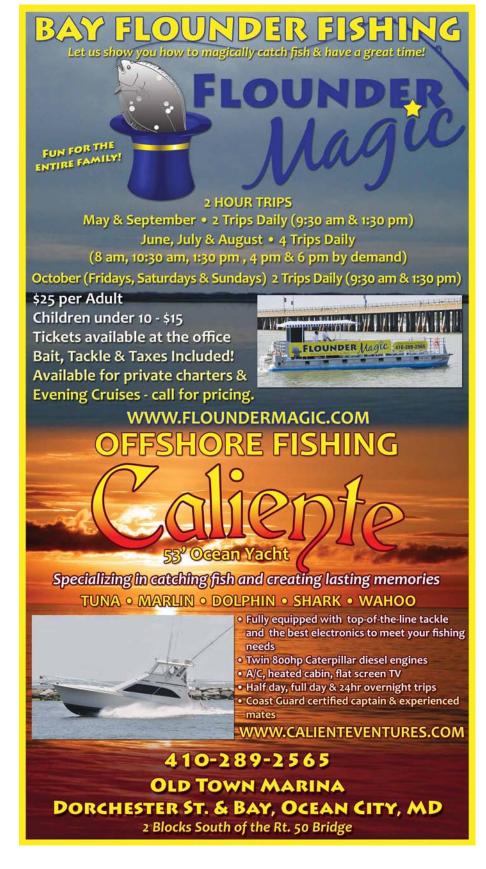


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Matt Temple, mate on the "Angler", showed how it's done, landing this 25.5-inch, 6 lb. 3 oz. flounder after hooking it on a clam at the Great Eastern Reef. Pictured at Capt. Bill Bunting's Angler Dock.



## Ocean City Fishing Report

by Larry Jock



It was a crazy week of fishing, both in the bay and off the coast. We saw big catches and big fish from those chasing flatties. Tuna fishermen saw the bite die and then come back to life over the weekend and billfishermen continued their assault in the Canyons. You just never knew what to expect from day to

#### Flounder

The flounder bite was inconsistent last week. most of the week, anglers struggled to find their keeper. Throwbacks were numerous, and larger fish were scarce. How high was the throwback Well, on Tuesday the ratio? "Bay Bee" recorded throwbacks during their morning trip and another 70 in the afternoon. That looked to change later in the week when we started seeing good size flatties hit the dock. Almost all of the heavier fish came from deeper holes around the bay, which is pretty consistent with what we see during this time of year when bay waters start to really warm up. The deeper water in the West Channel off Martha's Landing and along



Joe Engh from North Bay Marina released his first white marlin while fishing on the "Toy Boy" with Russell Applegit (pictured) and Ward Parkin. The white was hooked on a blue and white skirted ballyhoo in 60 fathoms between the Baltimore and Poor Man's Canyons.

the houses in the Thorofare produced some quality fish.

The largest flounder of the week was Jim Small's 27incher that he surprisingly caught on a Gotcha Plug along the rocks at the corner of the Inlet and the bay behind Assateague Island. I must admit, that is the first flounder I have seen caught at that location.

As far as sheer numbers of flounder caught in a trip, the "Lucky Break" really lit it up

on Wednesday, returning with 11 in the box after drifting in the West Channel off Gudelsky Capt. Jason Mumford said they got all 11 in around 7

Good size flounder are also being caught on ocean reefs and wrecks. Both the "Morning Star" and the "Angler" returned with nice fish up to 4 lbs. last week. If you want to make the 20-mile run to the Old Grounds, it just might be worth your while. Anglers fishing out of Lewes, DE are having good luck at this area.

#### **Sea Bass**

The ocean reefs and wrecks are producing decent catches of sea bass lately. Anglers using clams are getting the best results. The Great Eastern Reef and the Susan Powers Reef at the Jackspot are both giving up nice size fish. Like flounder, you have to weed through throwbacks to get one for the cooler.

#### Croaker

Some hardheads showed up in the bay three to four weeks ago and we thought the bite was on. Unfortunately, it lasted only a few days and then they disappeared. Well, we got our first report of croakers back in our bay late last week. However, they are small, in the 7-9 inch range. The best bite occurred around 28th Street. Hopefully, they will stick around a bit, and we will see an influx of larger fish.

#### **Striped Bass**

The striped bass bite heated up again around the South Jetty, but unfortunately the vast majority of fish were too small to put in the box. The only keeper we saw came in Friday when an angler on "Skip's Charter & Guide Service" captured a 32-incher on live spot.

#### Tuna

Through the first half of the week, anglers were still landing good numbers of yellowfin tuna while chunking at the Hot Dog, where the "Restless Lady" ended their day with 17 in the box on Wednesday. However, on Thursday, the bite slowed dramatically and by the weekend the chunking bite was dead.

The good news is that a larger class of yellowfins were



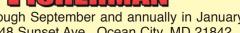






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found by boats trolling in the Washington Canyon and between the Baltimore and Poor Man's Canyons in 50 to 100 fathoms. Over the weekend, boats averaged two to seven fish weighing up to 65 lbs. On Saturday, Capt. Jason Norton on the "Ranger" bucked the trend and fished my himself in the Washington Canyon and ended up with 7 yellowfins on Saturday and 9 on Sunday.

On Tuesday, a couple of bigeye tuna were landed in the Washington Canyon. "Moore Bills" returned with a 260 pounder and the "Singularis" boated one weighing 230 lbs.

#### Dolphin

The dolphin bite followed the tuna bite, shifting from the Hot Dog early in the week to the canyons over the weekend.

On Friday, the "No Quarter" boated a pair of dolphin in the Baltimore Canyon weighing 23 and 31 lbs.

The largest mahi to hit the scales this past week was a 65 pounder caught by the "Singularis" on Saturday. As of press time, we weren't able to secure a picture of this beast. Hopefully, we will have it for you in next weeks issue.

#### Billfish

It was another steady week for billfishermen. White marlin releases were recorded throughout the week starting in the Washington Canyon and ended up in 50 to 100 fathoms between the Poor Man's and Baltimore Canyons over the weekend. The bite wasn't red hot, with most boats returning with one to three releases per trip.

At least 7 blue marlin were released last week by boats trolling in the Washington and Baltimore Canyons.

On Saturday, "Coolin' Out" ventured out to the Washington Canyon where they released 2 sailfish and a white marlin.

#### Wahoo

On Wednesday, the "Ranger" caught a wahoo on the troll at the Hot Dog. The "Jet Lag" boated a 40 pounder in 30 fathoms at the Sausages where "One A Day" captured a 53-incher on Sunday.

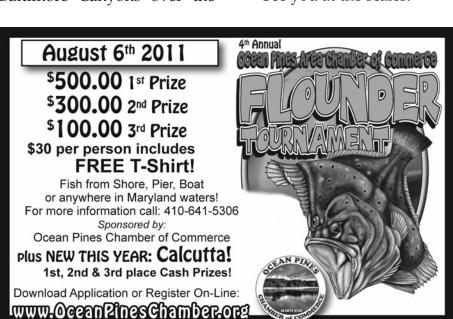
#### **Upcoming Tournaments**

This coming weekend we have two tournaments on the schedule. On Friday and Saturday, the 3rd Annual Ocean City Marlin Club Ladies Tournament will be held with weigh-ins at Sunset Marina from 5:00 to 7:30 PM.

For those anglers who like to chase the flatties, the Ocean Pines Chamber of Commerce will hold their 4th Annual Flounder Tournament at the Ocean Pines Marina. Fishing is from 7:00 AM to 3:00 PM with weigh-ins from 1:00 to 4:00 PM. Cost is only \$30 per person.

All this leads into the 38th Annual White Marlin Open that begins on Monday. Weigh-ins are Monday through Friday from 4:00 to 9:15 PM at Harbour Island.

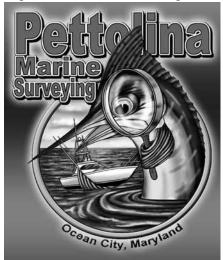
See you at the scales.





Richard, Tom and Marianne Pfeffer had a good time chunking butterfish at the Hot Dog while fishing on the "White Lightning" with Capt. Luke Blume and mate Eddie Smith. In addition to the 5 yellowfin tuna that ended up in the box, the anglers had some excitement while fighting a bigeye tuna for a couple of hours before it came loose in the Washington Canyon. Pictured at Sunset Marina.





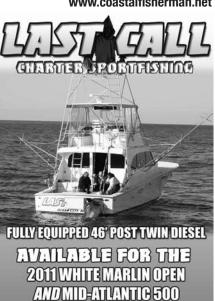
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Andrew Healey released his first white marlin while fishing on the "Last Call" with his grandfather, Brooke Duvall, Capt. Frank Pettolina and mate Franky Pettolina. The white marlin, in addition to a couple of yellowfin, were hooked on ballyhoo in 70 fathoms in the Poor Man's Canyon. Pictured at the Ocean City Fishing Center.



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Jaden Stokes made the most of catching his first flounder, nailing a 24-inch, 6 lb. flattie in the West Channel. Jaden used a spec rig tipped with a white Gulp! artificial bait and caught the fish while drifting along with the Marine Police as they were checking the boat for fishing licenses. Also pictured are Rob and Bob Stokes.



Scott Davis captured this 36.2 lb. golden tilefish while deep dropping in the Baltimore Canyon. Scott was fishing on "Candy's Choice" with his grandfather, Pete Floyd and weighed his catch at Lewes Harbour Marina.

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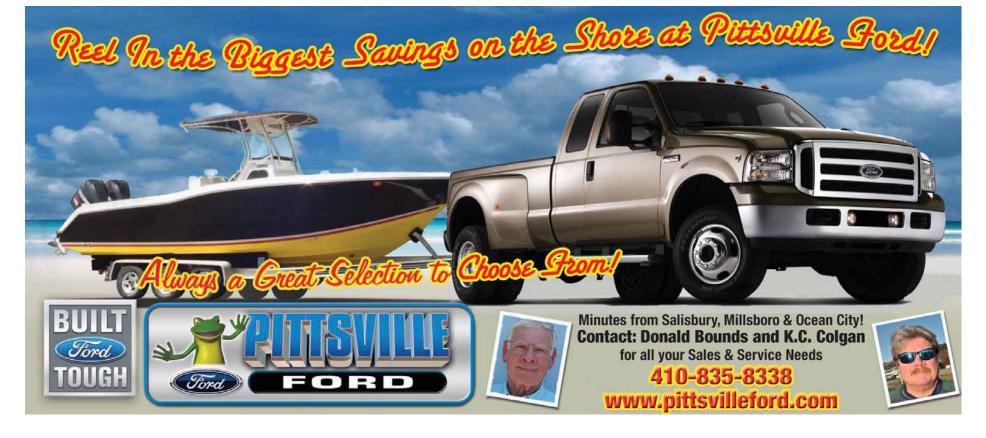


Rick Socks, Mark Fogle, Brian Sease and Sean Price had a good overnight fishing trip on the "Mega Bite" with Capt. Tom Murphy. The anglers caught 4 yellowfin tuna, 2 dolphin, a mako shark and released a white marlin.





Frank Zeccola from Fenwick, DE was at it again last week, landing this pair of flounder on shiners at the Thorofare. The largest fish of the day measured 23.75-inches and tipped the scale at 5 lbs. 11 oz.





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## **Driftin' Easy**

by Sue Foster

I've noticed that in my online store I ship out a lot of Spec Rigs to southern states like Florida and Texas. In our stores we also sell a lot of Spec Rigs to anglers fishing on the Oceanic Pier and the Rt. 50 Bridge at night. Flounder fishermen add spec rigs to their shopping baskets and have good luck with them by adding bait to the little jigs.

"What is a Spec Rig?"
Spec Rigs, also called



"speck rigs" or "red fish rigs" are two small jigs, the size of shad darts, tied in tandem. Several companies make them, with the most popular being Betts. Another company that sells a lot of them is H & H. Betts describes their rig as, "A deadly double combination of two jigs tied in a tandem on 30 Ib. test nylon on cadmium plated hooks. Hard, chip resistant paint is used on all Betts jigs." They come in different weights including 1/16th, 1/8th and 1/4 ounces. The Betts also comes in a model called a Heavy 1/8 Magnum Spec Rig. These have heavier hooks and are especially good for fishing for flounder and bluefish or any fish that is big and might bend the hook.



The H & H Lure Company has been manufacturing Speck Rigs for over 50 Years. They are family owned and based out of Baton Rouge, Louisiana. Their Speck Rigs come in 1/8 or 1/4 ounces. The 1/4 ounce model are called Red fish Rigs while the 1/8 ounce ones are called Speck Rigs. That's because down south anglers target speckled trout with the 1/8 ounce size and Red Fish (Red Puppy Drum) with the 1/4 ounce size.

I use Spec Rigs a lot, and while the H & H rigs are less expensive, the Betts seem to be made better and the jigs heads last longer. The paint definitely stays on the head longer! The Spec Rig comes in a multitude of colors including white,



Here's a picture of a rare summer catch of tautog by anglers aboard the "Morning Star" with Capt. Monty Hawkins. Edward Reutemann, Jamie Glover and E.J. Ruetemann used clams to catch these tog weighing up to 8.5 lbs. Pictured at the Ocean City Fishing Center.

chartreuse, pink, red, orange and shrimp glow.

Spec Rigs really work for speckled trout. Even though we don't catch many in Ocean City, the few times that they do migrate here in the fall, Spec Rigs work well. I used them in Virginia last fall and tipped them with a 3-inch Gulp! Swimming Mullet. That's all I used to catch speckled trout during their 3 to 4 week run.

So, if we don't have that many speckled trout in Ocean City why do we sell so many Spec Rigs? That's because the rigs are so versatile that they work for many species of fish. First of all, the Spec Rig is one of the most popular lures sold on the Oceanic Pier for snapper blues and shad at night. Shad especially, will only take a small jig and the smaller sizes of spec rigs are perfect for this kind of fishing. (Shad are a game fish in MD and must be released.)

Sometimes the weight of the lures themselves is enough, but sometimes anglers need to add a weight on the loop at the bottom of the Spec Rig. Jigging the Spec Rig beneath the lights at night on the Pier, Inlet and Bridge will give anglers interesting action. The hooks aren't huge, so sometimes when a big fish like a rockfish is hooked, the fish will be lost if the angler does not have a net.

On the Rt. 50 Bridge you will need a bridge net.

A Spec Rig can also be used during the day to cast for blues or shad at the Inlet or piers. Anglers in Delaware, especially on the Cape Henlopen Pier, find that Spec Rig are very popular for catching flounder. Anglers tip the jigs with Gulp!, live minnows, shiners, little strips of squid or fresh cut bait. They add a sinker to make sure the lure goes to the bottom. Cast out, and slowly retrieve along the bottom. Twitch your rod tip to give the lures added attraction!

The smaller Spec Rigs (which have smaller hooks) can be used to catch Norfolk spot and other small panfish by tipping the jigs with bloodworm. Artificial Bloodworm, night crawler or little pieces of squid. Again, for these species you want to fish the bottom, so be sure to add enough sinker weight to get you there.

When we are able to get a day off, my husband and I fish for flounder at the Chesapeake Bay Bridge Tunnel. Spec Rigs work very well there. We usually retie the jigs so they are slightly further apart. We use cut bait like fresh spot or legal croaker and add a 3 to 4-ounce bank sinker. We jig near the pilings of the Bridges on the

slacking tides. Flounder really hop on the hooks when they are biting! I'm sure this same technique would work well in Ocean City around the rocks at the Jetty or the rip rap around the 2nd through 4th Street Bulkhead. The trick is to jig and not let out so much line that the rig gets hung up on the bottom! It's kind of like fishing the popular "Tap Dancer", a ball jig with a smaller hook tied up on the leader of the rig.

have caught many flounder on a Spec Rig baited up with plain ol' live minnows during my life in Ocean City. When fishing the "flats" of the Thorofare, the shallower waters behind Convention Hall or the small channel around Hooper's where there is not a tremendous amount of tide, you can use Spec Rigs with no extra weight. Just add live minnows to the lures, cast them out away from the boat and jig them in slowly towards you with the tide. Always keep the Spec Rig moving. Twitch your rod tip and give it a jigging action. Using a lure is a waste of time if you don't add motion to it. Besides, if you just let it sit there on the bottom, the fish may swallow the hook.

Bammm! There's a flounder!

Good Fishing....

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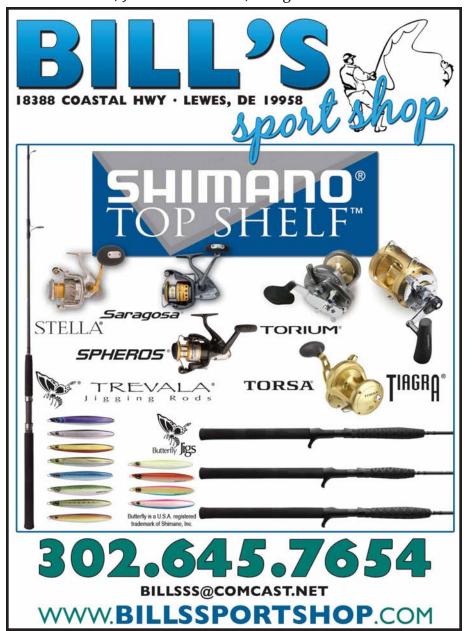
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Kevin Coats from Bel Air, MD used a live mullet to fool this 22-inch flounder while fishing in the West Channel. Kevin was fishing with his brother, James and his dad, Doug.





With the chunking bite dead at the Hot Dog, most boats are back to trolling the Canyons. On Saturday, the "Marli" returned to Sunset Marina with 4 yellowfin in the box and 3 white marlin releases. All of the fish were caught on ballyhoo in 50 to 75 fathoms in the Baltimore Canyon. Norman Wallis, Sr., Pat Allen and Chelsea Allen each released a white marlin while fishing with Norman Wallis, Jr., Phyllis Wallis, Kevin Allen, Capt. Mark Hoos, Jr. and mates Anthony Pino and Frank Mattes, Jr.



On Sunday, the "Ranger" with Capt. Jason Norton at the helm and Chris Sutton in the pit broke away from the pack and headed towards 200 fathoms in the Washington Canyon and were rewarded with 9 yellowfin tuna. Fishing on the "Ranger" were Andy Wichelm, Paul Garner, Jim Barnes, Jim Hicks and Russell O'Dea. Pictured at the Ocean City Fishing Center.



Dave Geiger, Jr., Dave Geiger III, and Kyle Geiger, all from Wilmington, DE ended their day with 9 yellowfin tuna in the box after trolling ballyhoo deep outside the Washington Canyon. The anglers were fishing on the "White Lightning" with Capt. Luke Blume and mate Eddie Smith. Pictured at Sunset Marina.



David Souders of Harrington, DE caught this 24.5-inch, 5 lb. 8 oz. flounder while fly fishing in the Indian River Inlet. Weighed at Bill's Sport Shop.



On Saturday, the "Morning Star" returned with a variety of fish after fishing on ocean wrecks. Tony Torres landed a mahi on squid, Don Grafer caught himself a 6 lb. 1 oz. flounder on a Gulp! and squid combination, Scott Metje landed a 22.5-inch cod, Wolf Rinke caught a sea bass and Paula Gallagher boated a nice size flounder. Capt. Monty Hawkins was at the wheel and mates Mike Kinder and Rich Silvani worked the deck. Pictured at the Ocean City Fishing Center.





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John Speziale from Bethany, DE landed this 41.6 lb. yellowfin tuna while fishing outside the Hot Dog on the "Catch-Up" with Jeff Gottshaw of Rockville, MD. Weighed at Hook'em & Cook'em.



This is the time of year when the area around the Shipping Channel leading into the Delaware Bay starts producing some quality flounder catches, as shown by the 29-inch, 9 lb. 5 oz. flattie caught by Bob Youndy of Brownstown, PA. Weighed at Hook'em & Cook'em.



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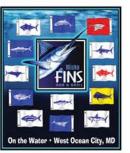








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4 lbs. cherrystone clams,

2 large red-skinned potatoes,

1 slice lean bacon, chopped

1 stalk celery, thinly sliced

1 medium onion, diced

2 cloves garlic, minced

peeled and cut into 1/2-

scrubbed

inch cubes

1 tsp. fresh thyme

1 cup half-and-half

4 tsp. butter, sliced

2 TBSP. chopped fresh

2 TBSP. chopped fresh chives

Bring clams and 2 cups of

Uncover and continue to

Transfer clams to a bowl.

Pour the liquid into a

Pour the liquid back into the

Add the potatoes, cover and

Remove 1/3 of the potatoes;

Puree in batches in a blender

Add the onion and celery;

Add garlic, thyme, and bay

Add bacon mixture and

Cook over low heat, about 5

Remove clams from their

Stir in the clams and half-

Season with salt and pepper

Serve with a slice of butter,

and-half into the soup; remove

from heat, cover and set aside 20

continue to cook the remaining

until smooth and return all to the

Cook bacon until crisp.

leaves, stirring 3 minutes.

shells and roughly chop.

Discard bay leaves.

parsley, chives and paprika.

reserved potatoes to the soup.

potatoes until cooked through.

Add enough water

measure 3 cups of liquid.

pot through a sieve.

simmer for 15 minutes.

water to a boil; cook 5 minutes.

cook until clams open, 5 to 10

minutes. Discard any that do not

Salt and pepper

parsley

1/2 tsp. paprika

Reserve the liquid.

measuring cup.

open.

pot.

cook until soft.

to 30 minutes.

and reheat.

Serves 4.

2 bay leaves

least 2 hours.

Serves 10.

Cover and refrigerate for at

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1 small onion, minced

2 cloves garlic, minced

1/2 cup dry white wine 1/2 cup chicken stock

3/4 tsp. black pepper, divided

1/2 tsp. salt, divided

6 flounder fillets

1 TBSP, olive oil

In a large skillet, melt 2 TBSP. butter.

Add mushrooms, onion and garlic; cook until mushrooms are tender.

Add wine; cook 2 minutes.

Add broth, 1/2 tsp. pepper, 1/4 tsp. salt; cook 2 –3 minutes or until slightly thickened.

Stir in 2 TBSP. butter.

Remove from heat.

Sprinkle flounder remaining salt and pepper.

In another large skillet, heat remaining 2 TBSP. butter and olive oil.

Add flounder in batches and cook for 4 -5 minutes per side or until fish flakes easily with a fork.

Serve mushroom sauce over flounder.

Serves 6.

#### **Baked Crab Dip**

2 (8 oz.) packages cream cheese, cut into 1-inch cubes

1/4 cup milk

3 TBSP. lemon juice

2 TBSP. onion, minced

2 tsp. Worcestershire Sauce

2 tsp. Dijon mustard

11/2 tsp. Old Bay Seasoning

1 tsp. Tabasco

1 pound crabmeat

2 TBSP. parsley, minced

Heat oven to 475 degrees.

Microwave cheese 20 to 30 seconds in a large bowl.

Whisk in milk and rest of seasoning.

Fold in crabmeat using a rubber spatula.

Transfer to a greased, 1 quart baking dish.

Bake until bubbly, about 20 to 25 minutes.

Cool 5 minutes; sprinkle with parsley and serve.

Makes 3 cups.

## The Galley

by Mama Jock

#### Tuna Baked in Foil

4 tuna fillets

2 tsp. olive oil, plus 2 TBSP.

Salt and pepper

3 tomatoes, chopped or 1 (14 oz.) can of tomatoes,

drained

2 cups chopped shallots

2 TBSP. fresh lemon juice

1 tsp. dried oregano

1 tsp. dried thyme

Preheat oven 400 degrees. Sprinkle tuna with 2 tsp. of olive oil, salt and pepper.

Stir in tomatoes, shallots, 2 TBSP. oil, lemon juice, oregano, and thyme in a medium bowl; mix well.

Place a tuna fillet, oiled side down, on a large sheet of foil.

Wrap the ends to form a spiral shape.

Spoon the tomato mixture over the tuna.

Fold sides of the foil over fish and tomato mixture, covering completely, sealing the packet closed.

Repeat with the remaining fillets.

> Bake 25 minutes. Serves 4.

#### Dilly Shrimp Salad

4 cups cooked small shells 1 lb. cooked large shrimp, deveined, cut into thirds

1 cup frozen peas

1 cup celery, diced

1/2 cup chopped green

1/4 cup parsley, minced 8 oz. plain yogurt

1 cup mayonnaise 1/4 cup lemon juice

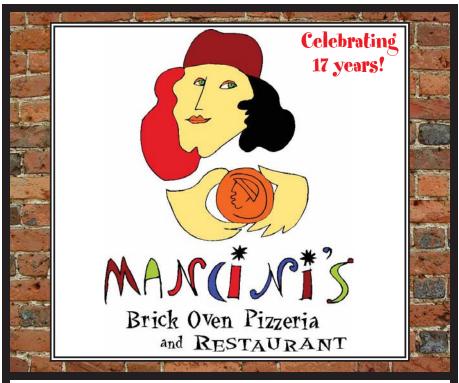
2 TBSP. fresh dill, snipped

1/2 tsp. salt 1/4 tsp. pepper

In a large bowl combine pasta, shrimp, peas, celery,

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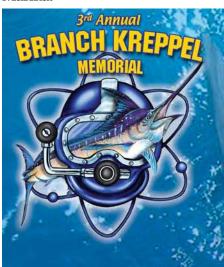
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First place in the Billfish Points Division of the 3rd Annual Branch Kreppel Memorial Blue Marlin Tournament was won by the crew on "No Quarter" with 6 white marlin releases. One of the releases was on the first day of the tournament and they followed that up with 5 more releases on Sunday (pictured). The fish were all hooked on trolled ballyhoo in the Baltimore Canyon. Pictured are Bo, Steve and Brooke Schmeusser, Mike Peet, Olivia Whitfield, Johnny Schofield, Capt. Butch Davis and mates Kyle Peet and Jon Meade. The "No Quarter" team took home \$8,325 for their 1st place finish. Pictured at Sunset Marina.



On the final day of the 3rd Annual Branch Kreppel Blue Marlin Tournament hosted by Sunset Marina, John Prather, mate on the "Billfisher", reeled in a 63 lb. yellowfin tuna to win 1st place in the Tuna Division. John caught the tuna on a trolled Ocean City Lure in the Baltimore Canyon while fishing with Jon Duffie, Sr., Jeremy Duffie, Judy Duffie, Capt. Jon Duffie and mate Chris Hornung (pictured). The "Billfisher" crew won \$11,325 for their winning tuna.



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### **Tuna Division**

1<sup>st</sup> Place **John Prather** "Billfisher" 63 lbs. \$11,325

2<sup>nd</sup> Place

"Reel Joy"

100 points

5 white marlin releases \$3,375

### **Billfish Points**

1<sup>st</sup> Place "No Quarter" 120 points 6 white marlin releases \$8,325

> 3<sup>rd</sup> Place "Wound Up" 100 points **5 white marlin releases Bodo Muche Trophy**

## **Colphin Division**

1<sup>st</sup> Place **D.J. Puharic** "No Quarter" 31 lbs. \$3,600

**Wahoo Division None Weighed** 



In the 3rd Annual Branch Kreppel Memorial Blue Marlin Tournament, D.J. Puharic from Bear, DE captured this 31 lb. dolphin and held on to win 1st place in the Dolphin Division. The mahi was caught while trolling ballyhoo in the Baltimore Canyon aboard the "No Quarter" with Chip Gruber, Ray Carbone, Ivan Wilkins, Mike Peet, Capt. Butch Davis and mates Kyle Peet and Jon Meade. The anglers also caught a 23 lb. dolphin and recorded a white marlin release during the trip. Their first place finish earned them \$3,600 in award money. Pictured at Sunset Marina.

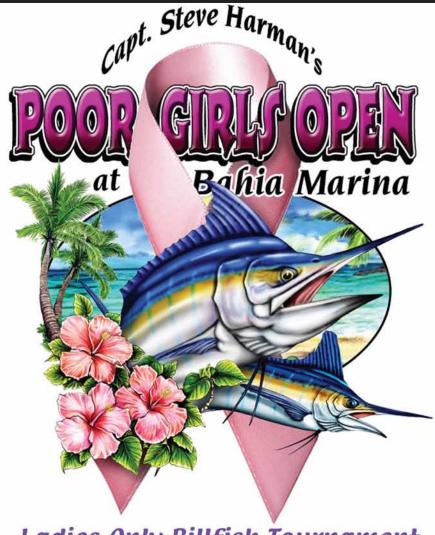


Third place in the Billfish Points Division of the 3rd Annual Branch Kreppel Memorial Blue Marlin Tournament was won by the crew on the "Wound Up" with 5 white marlin releases. Three of the releases came on Saturday and another 2 were recorded on Sunday. Fishing with Capt. Richard Benn and mate Rob Belcher were Bill Pino (pictured) and Bob and Julia Purcell. All of the whites were hooked on ballyhoo in the Baltimore Canyon. The crew took home a beautiful trophy designed by Bodo Muche for their 3rd place finish. Pictured with Tournament Director, Brian Tinkler and Barbara Glinka.



Taylor McCart, Susan McCart and John Gudelsky (not pictured) recorded 5 white marlin releases during their 2 days of fishing in the 3rd Annual Branch Kreppel Memorial Blue Marlin Tournament to win 2nd place in the Billfish Points Division and a check for \$3,375. The "Reel Joy" team, with Capt. Dale Gurgo at the helm and mates Andy Helms and Daniel Reid in the cockpit, released 3 whites on their first day and another pair on Sunday, all while trolling ballyhoo in the Wilmington Canyon. They also captured 2 yellowfin tuna on Sunday that tipped the scale at 43 and 44 lbs. Pictured at Sunset Marina.





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Paige Barton from Centreville, MD released her first white marlin while fishing on the "Self-Inflicted" with John and Chris Evans. The white marlin and 3 yellowfin tuna were hooked on ballyhoo in 55 fathoms outside the Hot Dog. Pictured at Harbour Island.





Michael Walker and Jerry Cuff were fishing at Site 10 when they hooked into these 2 flounder weighing 5 lbs. 13 oz. and 6 lbs. Weighed at Lewes Harbour Marina.



Patrick Peters from Highland, MD released a blue marlin and Joe Haycock and Kelly Finn each released a white marlin while fishing on the "White Lightning" with Tim McNeal and Eddie Harris from Glen Burnie, MD, John Sheahon of Adrian, MI, Capt. Luke Blume and mate Eddie Smith. The billfish, along with 5 yellowfin tuna, were hooked on ballyhoo and spreader bars at the south end of the Baltimore Canyon. Pictured at Sunset Marina.



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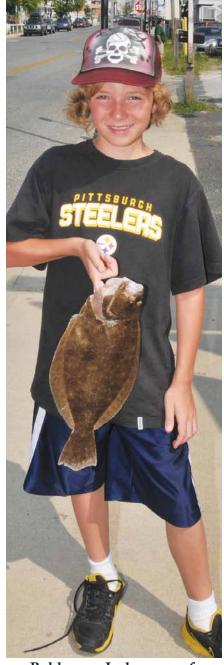






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**Bobby** Jackson from Monroeville, PA reeled in this 19inch flounder after hooking it on squid and minnow combination in the West Channel. Bobby was fishing on the "Flounder Magic" with Capt. Alan Bowmaster and mate Sonny Layton. Pictured at Old Town Marina.



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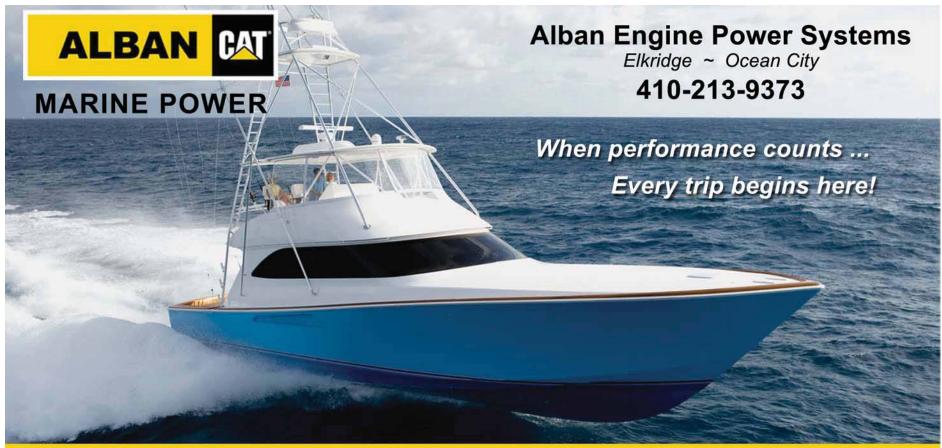




On Saturday, Jim Small from Brooksville, MD boated this 27-inch flounder after hooking it on a Gotcha Plug at the mouth of the bay behind Assateague Island. The big flattie tipped the scale at 7 lbs. 12 oz. and was caught while fishing on the "Daydreamer 3".



Rich Pasko, Sr. from Baltimore, MD and Derrick Donohue from Perry Hall, MD each released their first white marlin while fishing on the "Restless Lady" with Rich Pasko, Jr., Joe Krystofiak, Chris Pasko and Carlos Lopez, all from Bowleys Quarters, MD, Capt. Todd Kurtz and mate Brandon Baiocco. The anglers also brought back 6 yellowfins after trolling ballyhoo and spreader bars in 100 fathoms in the Baltimore Canyon. Pictured at the Talbot Street Pier.



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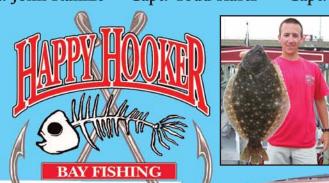
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## **Delaware Fishing Report**

by Rick Willman



Hi folks. Fishing in the back bays remains fair to good, but finding fish large enough to keep is a problem. There seems to be plenty of fish, but fish coming up a half-inch short continues to be what most anglers are finding.

Most of the keeper flounder are being found in deeper water and striking during the incoming tide. Areas with some structure, such as the rocks along the south side of the Indian River Inlet, are also holding bigger fish. Use larger baits and keep them bouncing off the bottom to give you the best chance at a nice size flattie, such as the 7 lb. 12 oz. flounder caught by Dave Wise on the "Kathy Ann".

Croaker reports have been mixed. Some folks reported loads of croakers and others





John Woodson landed this 19.3 lb. dolphin near the Hot Dog while fishing on the "Skipjack" with Capt. Chris Thurman. Weighed at Lewes Harbour Marina.

said they can't find them. When fishing for croakers use either live bloodworms or FishBites artificial bloodworms to fool these scrappy critters. Both of these baits are also the ticket to catch spot. When fishing for spot be sure to use at least a #8 or #10 hook.

Bluefish can still be landed in the Indian River Inlet on the incoming tide.

Stripers are also being caught at the end of the night time or early morning incoming tide.

Inshore action has also been tough when it comes to finding keeper size flatties. Capt. Chuck Cook of "First Light Charters" has been putting his parties on some keepers at Site #10. A few fish have also been taken around "DB" Buoy and

the Old Grounds.

Offshore, the bite has cooled a bit but some tuna and dolphin are still at the Hot Dog and Hambone areas.

In the Rick's Bait & Tackle / Sea Side Gas & Grill Offshore Tournament, the "Sharon Lee" is at the top in the Tuna Division with a 23.4 pounder. The "Stacy" is in second and third place in the tuna category, with fish weighing 15 lbs. and 16.2 lbs. The "Jasper" is close behind with a 14 pounder. They also recorded a white marlin release. Dolphin Division is being lead by the "Moondog" with a 17.8 lb. mahi. They are also on the books with 2 white marlin releases, as does the "Joken". The contest runs thru Saturday, so check next week's issue for

Pat from Rattle & Reel Sports Center reported a 22-inch; 3.82-pound flattie for Tim Painter of Rockville, MD while fishing outside Ginny Creek.

Capt Bill Baker at Bill's Sport Shop reported a good croaker bite at Massey's Ditch by anglers fishing with clams. Bill Baker Jr., went to Massey's Ditch in the afternoon and used chartreuse Gulp! artificial baits on a speck rig to catch some croaker and a fat 23 1/2" flounder. Fishing at Indian River Inlet at night has been very productive. Nice keeper stripers are being caught on live eels. One angler took a young gentleman with him and they caught so many stripers that the young gent had to beg off. His arms were too tired and that is all his father heard about for the next few days. Paul Powalski of Bill's Sport Shop took his two nephews, Collin and Brenden, to the Indian River Inlet where the youngsters caught 15 flounder. Although most were throwbacks, Collin caught his largest ever at 18 inches. They were using tube squid. Rich Moerman Jr, was fishing at Herring Point and had several nice blues, about 14 inches, caught on mullet and freshly caught spot.

Morris at Lewes Ioe Harbour Marina said the dock was buzzing over a big flounder that was brought in. Captain Vince "Killer" Keagy of the Miss Kirstin has been fishing Delaware Bay for 35 years, but said the fish he caught Saturday was his biggest yet. The 31 inch long, 11.72 pound doormat grabbed a shad dart tipped with squid at Reef Site 7, and was brought to the boat on 12 pound test line. Congratulations to Vince on his impressive catch. Other Bay anglers also had success with flatties. Joe Walker, Tom Coyle, Bobby Bryant and Veryl Burns had their limit of 16 fluke to 5 pounds, with good drift conditions on the Brown Shoal reefs Thursday. Jack Henriksen, Ricky Mills and John "Dynamo" Deiner drifted



Joe Walker, Bobby Bryant, Tom Coyle and Veryl Burns caught their limit of flounder, weighing up to 5 lbs., while drifting squid and shiners over Brown Shoal artificial reef site. Weighed at Lewes Harbour Marina.

the Brown Reefs on Friday for 8 nice keepers, including Jack's 5.21 pounder.

Bottom bouncers in the Bay also found spot, kingfish, blowfish, snapper blues, small trout and a few croakers. Anglers have been anxious for the arrival of large schools of croakers, but the hardheads have yet to show in any numbers.

Spot have been plentiful around the Cape Henlopen pier, the inner and outer walls, in Roosevelt Inlet and on the Star and Broadkill Reef Sites.

Slot size stripers were taken in the Lewes Canal with eels and clams.

Flounder action was good in the ocean on days with favorable conditions. On Thursday, flukers aboard "Katy Did" captured 11 quality keepers at Site 10, with most fish over 3 pounds. Michael Walker bucktailed a 5.8

pounder and Jerry Cuff caught a 6-pound flatfish on that trip. Captain Carey's Saturday group on the "Grizzly" put 11 keeper flounder in the box at Site 10. Jonathan Thompson took the largest, a 6.5-pound beauty. In addition to Site 10, flatties were also found on rough bottom between "DB" and "DA" Buoys. Many ling were mixed in.

The yellowfin chunk bite at the Hot Dog was good until mid-week, but tuna were uncooperative after that. Jason and Howard Burris, Mario and Matt Disabatino and Jason Hanny, set up at the Hot Dog last Sunday for some fun with the yellowfins. They chunked tuna to the boat with butterfish, then got the fish really fired up by tossing in handfuls of live minnows. They put 9 yellowfins aboard, but the highlight happened when Matt cast a fly on his 14weight outfit to the frenzied tuna, and after a wild battle, boated a 32.5 pounder. On Monday, Wes Major, Jim Curry, Dave Carlin, Thomas Borrell, Jim Mays, Jim Martelli and Erminio Savelloni travelled to the Dog aboard "Katy Did", where they proceeded to chunk up 13 yellowfins and 2 dolphin. On Friday, Captain Mike Connolly on the "Sea Note" located tuna in Massey's Canyon, and kept 5 yellowfins caught on trolled ballyhoo. The fish weighed up to 45 pounds.

Offshore bottom fishing was good. Captain Pete Floyd and the guys on "Candy's Choice" dropped deep in the

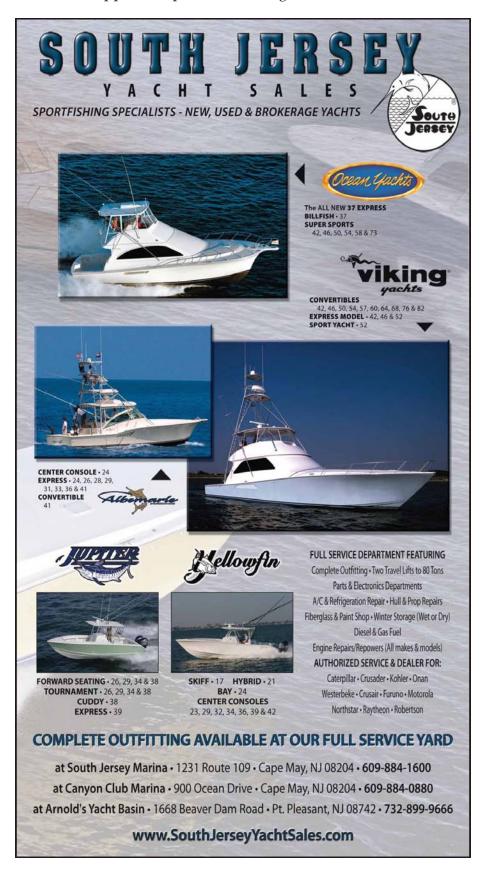
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Pete's grandson, Scott Davis. Billfish activity was good in the Baltimore Canyon on Saturday, with a fair number of white marlin releases. Trollers encountered decent sized yellowfins there as well. Captain Jeff Hoepfl on the "Joint Venture" overnighted in the Baltimore on Saturday for a pair of yellowfins and a

'Til next week, have fun and be safe!

swordfish.

Rick and his wife Deb are owners of Rick's Bait & Tackle in Long Neck, DE.





## Delaware Regulations State Waters Only



STRIPED BASS 20" - 26" 2 per person (DE Bay & tribs) 7/1 - 8/31

**BLACK SEA BASS** 12.5" minimum 25 per person/day 5/22 - 10/11 & 11/1 - 12/31

**BLUEFISH SUMMER FLOUNDER** 18" minimum 4 per person/day No minimum size 10 per person/day 5/11 - 10/23







**TAUTOG** 14" minimum 10 per person/day 7/1 - 8/31 Closed 9/1 - 9/28

**BLUE CRAB** 5" minimum 1 bushel/person

**RED DRUM** 20" - 27" 5 per person/day

**SHEEPSHEAD No limit** 









SPECKLED TROUT 12" minimum No creel limit

**BLACK DRUM** 16" minimum 3 per person/day

**CROAKER** 8" minimum No creel limit

WEAKFISH 13" minimum 1 per person/day



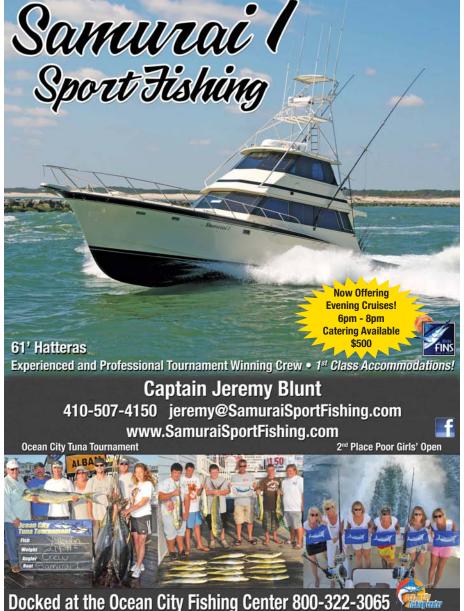




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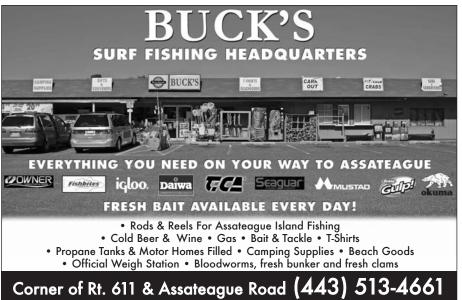
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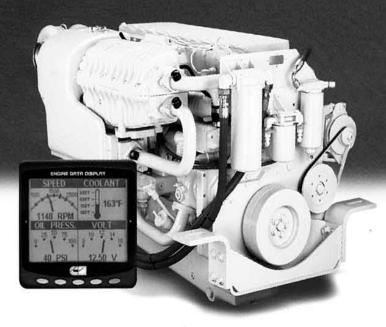


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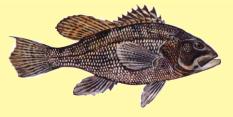
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CROAKER
9" minimum 25 per person/day



TAUTOG 14" 2 per person/day 5/16 - 10/31 14" 4 per person/day 11/1 - 11/30 Closed 12/1 - 12/31



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--- by Pat Schrawder



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Last week we talked about Person Locator Beacon (PLB) units. They are designed as emergency locating devices, but there is another device that is primarily designed for tracking. It is called the "SPOT".



Small and battery operated, it is similar to the PLB except that it has an on-going subscription fee and it communicates totally by GlobalStar, one of the companies

satellite involved the in communications business. The PLB operates with three avenues; direct satellite, 406 MHz and 121.5 MHz. For purposes of this article, let's take a closer look at the "SPOT" device and it's capabilities.

Spot devices come in a few forms. The most popular SPOT satellite GPS Messenger retails for \$149.99 and currently has a \$50 mail-in rebate until the end of the year. Along with the device cost is the requirement for a subscription ranging from \$99/yr to \$169.99/yr. SPOT units offer several, but not necessarily all, of the following features depending on the device and the subscription plan chosen:

SOS: Activate the SOS mode to begin sending your GPS location **GEOS** to International Emergency Response Coordination Center (IERCC) every 5 minutes. The

IERCC notifies the appropriate 911 responder. You can also send the signal to your selected contacts and add a custom message to update responders of your condition. With the use of SPOT Connect, you can pair your Bluetooth compatible Smartphone or iPad to use when you are out of regular cell phone coverage.

HELP: Use the Help mode to send either custom Type & Send or Predefined messages to recipients in your contact list for non-life threatening assistance. You must set-up pre-defined messages and a list of contacts in advance. When Help is activated, SPOT sends your GPS location and the Help message you choose through the SPOT satellite network every 5 minutes for 1 hour or until cancelled. Your contacts will receive an SMS text message including coordinates or an email with a link to Google Maps<sup>™</sup> showing your location.

CHECK-IN/OK: Use Checkin/OK mode to send your messages and your location to friends and family. These messages can also be sent to your Facebook and Twitter accounts. Just like the Help mode, your GPS location is sent along with the Check-in/OK message you choose through the SPOT satellite network. However, it is only sent 3 times over 20 minutes, or until canceled.

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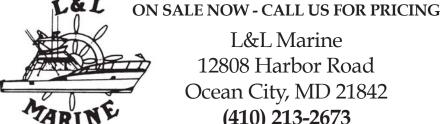
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The unit measures  $3'' \times 2.6'' \times 10^{-10}$ 1.2" and weighs 4.9 oz. It has a Bluetooth range of 30 ft and a GPS accuracy of 32.8 ft. It is compatible with the Apple iPod and iPhone as well as some versions of the Android. The stated battery life specs are somewhat confusing. recommends using 2 AA Energizer Ultimate Lithium 8X batteries and estimates a battery life of 11 days not connected and 5 days connected. Four days in the SOS mode and 260 Check-In messages. Note: I found the battery life specifications to be very confusing.

Also somewhat confusing is the yearly subscription fee. It appears to range from \$99.99 to \$169.99, but your best bet would be to contact the manufacturer at www.findmespot.com with your exact requirements and get a quote.

The fact that this unit depends on GlobalStar for their satellite signals means that you must rely on the strength of that company, and they have had some financial difficulties over the years, although they say that they are financially solid at this point.

At first glance, this unit may seem to take the place of a satellite phone, but it does not. You can only send email or SMS text messages. You cannot talk back and forth.

Still, for what it is designed to do, the manufacturer appears to have put a lot of thought behind this device and its system.

Pat and her husband, Larry are owners of L&L Marine Electronics on Golf Course Road in West Ocean City, MD.

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Carrie Craighead of Abingdon, MD caught this 12 lb. 4 oz. dolphin on a spreader bar at the Jackspot while fishing on the "Reel Krazy" with Larry Craighead.



Brian Werner and Ethan Rhodes from Dewey Beach, DE, Mike Rhodes, Chad Johnson, Mike Gardecki and Gary Dengler from Reading, PA, and Kevin Esslinger from Dover, DE teamed up to land 11 yellowfin tuna while fishing south of the Poor Man's Canyon on the "American Ambition" with Capt. Vernon Lee. Pictured at Hook'em & Cook'em.



# **Chum Lines**

by Capt. Mark Sampson



Last week while exiting the Ocean City Fishing Center marina, I noticed a small skiff with two people aboard blocking the cut that allowed access to the bay. The man at the tiller of the outboard saw me approaching and I could see that he and the lady aboard with him were making moves to cast off from the pilings they were fastened to so that I could pass. The fellow had a little trouble jockeying his boat to get out of there and I pretty much had to stop to give him time to get his vessel under control and finally clear the cut.

get flustered We all while sometimes maneuvering our boats in tight situations and this wasn't a big deal, so I didn't mind waiting. But what got me was that except for when he first saw us coming, the guy running the boat never once waved, nodded, or even looked my way acknowledge that he saw us coming and planned to move

out of our way. If it wasn't that I saw him look our way when I first came around the corner, I would have thought he didn't even know that 40-feet of boat was looming down on him and I would likely have given him a big blast on the horn to get his attention if I hadn't noticed earlier that he had seen us.

It was as if by looking at me in the eye he'd have to concede to the lady aboard his boat and to me that he'd goofed-up. Like I said - it wasn't a big deal, I waited, he moved on, and the incident was over without a mishap. But it could have been much different. If I didn't know that he had seen me from the start, when he began backing towards me I might have gone into reverse to get away from him, which could have put my boat in a spin and into the rocks or the shallow water I had on either side. Even minor mishaps with a boat can cause injuries personal and sometimes costly repairs.

Though not thoroughly

understood by many boaters, the inland and international navigation rules or "rules of the road" as they're so often called are designed to keep boats of all sizes and boaters safe by preventing collisions. Among other things, these rules address the conduct between two vessels that are meeting, crossing overtaking one another and most boaters probably have least a understanding of what these rules involve; such passing another boat portside to port-side, or that a vessel being overtaken has priority over the one coming up from behind, or that when one boat is going to cross in front of another, the vessel to port must not cross in front it's all basic boating stuff that every skipper simply must know.

Anytime two boats interact one of them is known as the "stand-on" vessel and the other is the "give-way" vessel. The stand-on vessel is often described as the one which has the "right of way", while the give-way vessel is supposed to maneuver around it. But while the term "right of way" is often used to describe the advantage of being the stand-on vessel, the term is misleading because the operator of a stand-on vessel is not free to do as they please. By the rules, in crossing and overtaking situations the stand-on vessel is required to hold course and speed until the give-way vessel has passed and is clear of the engagement. So, in a crossing situation, while the give-way vessel must not cross in front of the stand-on vessel, the stand-on vessel is required not to change speed or direction, therefore, it's skipper does not have "right" to do as they please. It's easy to imagine how a collision could occur if a stand-on vessel were to slow

down just as a give-way vessel attempts to cross behind it! Of course the rules also state that if it is deemed that the action of the give-way vessel is going to cause a collision, the operator of the stand-on vessel must take whatever action is necessary to avoid the collision.

The use of various forms of communications such as lights, day shapes, whistle signals, flags and radio transmissions were written into the navigation rules to help the operator of one vessel recognize what the operator of another vessel is doing or is intending to do. This understanding between captains is critical to safe boating because dramatically reduces the risk of collision. Ever wonder how and why the tradition of waving to other boaters got started? While I have no proof, I can only assume a lot of it has to do with captains wishing to ensure that the other captains are aware of their presence and that everything OK.

This brings me back to the incident at the cut. Because the guy who was fumbling around in the little boat was either too ashamed, or arrogant (or something) to turn around, look at me in the eye and acknowledge that he knew I was there but was having a little trouble getting his boat out of the way, the simple incident could have escalated into something ugly. The moral of the story is that boaters should make every effort to always ensure that those in nearby vessels are well aware of their intended actions, even if it's as simple as a mutual (five-finger) wave.

Captain Mark Sampson is an outdoor writer and captain of the charter boat "Fish Finder", docked at the Ocean City Fishing Center.



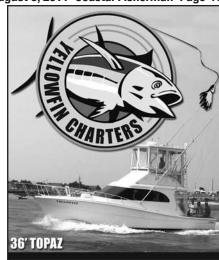
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Jason Hanny, Mario Disabatino, Howard Burris and Matt Disabatino teamed up to land 9 yellowfin tuna, weighing up to 40 lbs., while fishing at the Hot Dog. The anglers were aboard the "Sea Hunter" with Capt. Jason Burris and are pictured at Lewes Harbour Marina.



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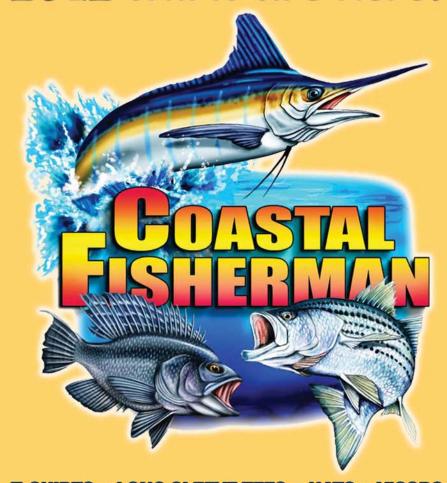
http://dnr.maryland.gov/fisheries/survey/index.asp

Special thanks to Keith Fraser and AllTackle.com for supporting this helpful volunteer angler survey!



Wyatt Melocik and Keegan Mitchell from Ocean City, MD captured 2 flounder while drifting in the bay behind Harbour Island. The flounder, measuring 18.25 and 18.50-inches, were caught on minnows and Gulp! artificial baits.





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Patrick and Paul Cronshaw from Wilmington, DE and Vickie Taylor from Elkton, MD returned to the Indian River Marina with 2 yellowfin tuna and a pair of mahi. The trio was fishing in 30 fathoms in the Poor Man's Canyon. Pictured at Hook'em & Cook'em.



Early in the week, Rodney and Jordan Schutz and Trevor Warfield, all from Indiana, fought this 260 lb. bigeye tuna for hours before getting it onto the "Moore Bills" with Capt. Rob Skillman and mate Wayne Blanks. The bigeye, along with 9 yellowfin tuna were caught on spreader bars in the Washington Canyon.







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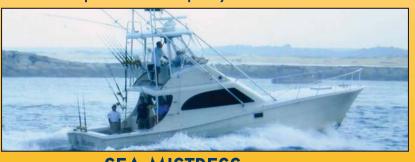
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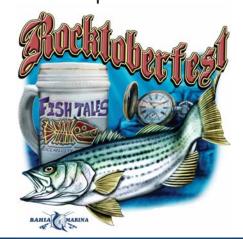
Flounder Pounder Sunday, Sept. 11 10 a.m. Bimini Start at Bahia Marina

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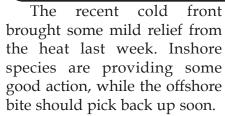


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# Virginia Fishing Report

Dr. Julie Ball I.G.F.A Representative



Flounder action is still solid. Anglers drifting with strip baits and minnows are finding fish near the Cell, the Hampton Bar, the Thimble Shoal Channel. Those dropping live bait and jigs on lower Bay structures are finding nice fish along the CBBT near the 2nd, 3rd, and 4th Islands, as well as the High Rise. Many of these flatfish are weighing up to 6 lbs., with a few pushing to over 8 lbs. Within Lynnhaven and Rudee Inlets, flounder enthusiasts are finding fish ranging to 23-inches. Anglers are also having good success using peanut bunker and minnows as bait within the Lynnhaven Basin lately.

Cobia action was hit-andmiss last week, but when it was on, anglers caught up to a dozen or more fish. Larger fish are making a good showing, with several fish topping 65 lbs. over the last week. Chummers are scoring with a few fish using chunks of bunker, live eels and live croaker fished on the bottom. The best locations for chumming lately are the seaside areas of Fisherman's Island, the Nine Foot Shoal and Latimer Shoal. Sight casters are finding fish on the surface that are responding well to live bait and jigs. Red drum are also still schooling around the mouth of the Bay and off the Virginia Beach oceanfront, especially off Sandbridge.

An unusual visitor has joined the summertime show this week. Several sight casters are reporting schools of tarpon within the lower Bay. Schools of jack crevelle are also shooting about in the same areas, which is common in late summer. Although catches of jacks within the Bay are not easy, trolling spoons, sight-casting and live bait can entice a hit.

Nice sized spot are also around, with Lynnhaven Inlet and Little Creek providing the best action last week, where a few fish pushed to near 14 oz. Smaller croaker are everywhere from the HRBT to the CBBT. The best hauls are coming from the backwaters of Oyster where fish are pushing to a pound.

Sheepshead action is still very good, with fish to 14 lbs. taking fiddler crabs or clam presented along the Bridge Tunnel complex. Plenty of greedy triggerfish are also available in these same areas. Spadefish are still schooling around nearshore wrecks, the span of the CBBT as well as the High Rise area. Most of these fish are ranging to around 4 lbs.

Spanish mackerel are hitting well off the oceanfront, with larger fish pushing to over 2 lbs. taking trolled spoons in water as shallow as 15-feet. Boats are finding schools of Spanish busting the surface, as

www.coastalfisherman.net far as 5-miles out, making a fun catch for sight casters. Tailor bluefish are also mixed in with the Spanish.

Tarpon anglers and speckled trout anglers are quiet about their catches as usual, but rumors of several tarpon hookups with a few releases are circulating. According to Chris' Bait and Tackle, specks are coming from both the seaside and Bayside creeks on the Eastern Shore. The Poquoson Flats also gave up a few fish for kayakers last week.

Amberjack are a no-brainer at the South Tower, where anglers are finding good numbers of smaller fish. A few Barracuda are also coming from the same area. Deep droppers will focus more on the bottom if the offshore trolling does not pick up. Nice blueline tilefish and big black bellied rosefish are the norm lately near the Canyon edges.

Captain Trick Standing, skipper of the "Git-R-Done" out of the Virginia Beach Fishing Center, reports that the billfish took a break last week. Big yellowfin tuna and bigeye tuna, along with gaffer mahi and wahoo are possibilities for those making the run. For more information, go to www.drjball.com.

Dr. Julie Ball is the I.G.F.A representative for Virginia Beach, VA. For more information, go to www.drjball.com.







Kyle Swarter and his dad, Scott Swarter hooked a couple of nice flounder while fishing on the "Reelentless" in the Indian River Inlet. The fish, weighing 5.6 and 5.9 lbs., were caught on live spot and Gulp! artificial baits. Weighed at Hook'em & Cook'em.



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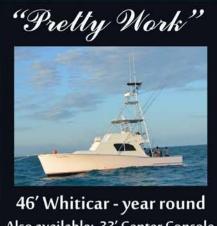
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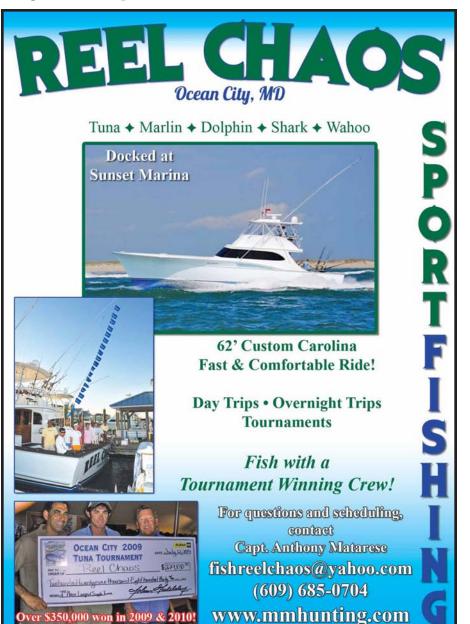
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Joe Crisanti took a trip on the "Morning Star" with Capt. Monty Hawkins and caught a 4 lb. sea bass and a 9 lb. blueline tilefish while using clams and squid for bait.





Hayley Hartman from Eldersburg, MD muscled in this 130 lb. mako shark while fishing on the "De-Bait-Able" with Joe, Robert, Jeff and Jon Hartman. The shark hit a trolled chugger in the Baltimore Canyon. Pictured at Sunset Marina.



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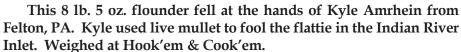
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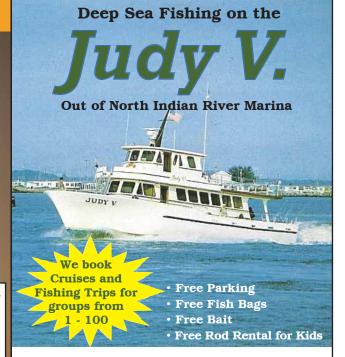
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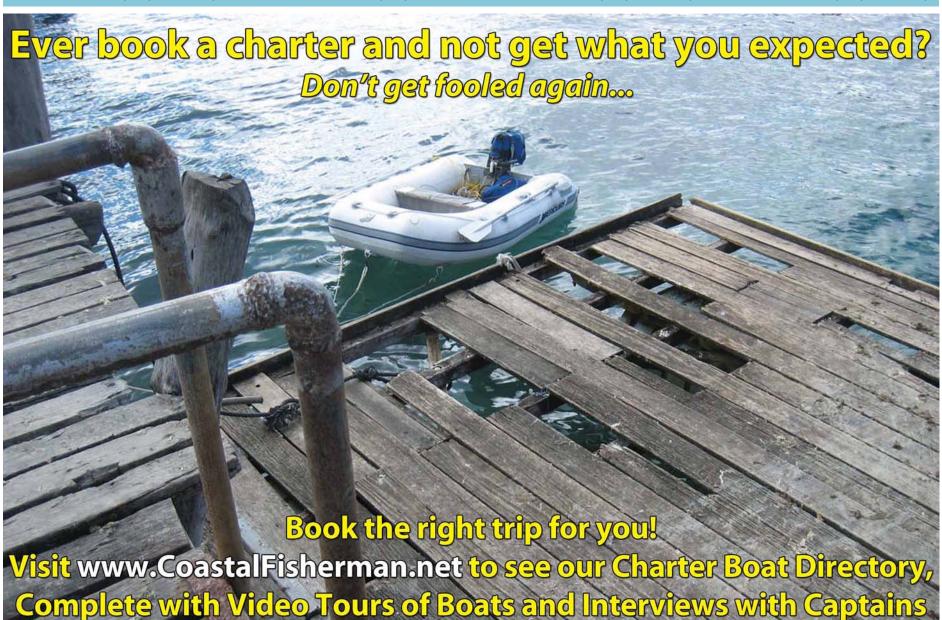
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On Friday, Scott Jarman from Berlin, MD and Bill and John Bruning from Cedartown, MD returned from the Sausages with 5 dolphin, all caught on the troll. Pictured at Ake Marine.

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# Straight from the Maryland **DNR Fisheries Service**

**Marty Gary Assistant Director - Fisheries Ecologist** 

### Radford Update

I've been updating you weekly on the status of the USS Radford, a 573 foot long Navy Destroyer in preparation for it's placement as the largest ship to be used as an artificial reef on Atlantic coast. inspections still have not wrapped up, and a press conference is underway in Philadelphia as I write this column. The Radford is sitting on the go button, but needs a final EPA and Coast Guard approval in order to initiate the operation to tow and sink the vessel. We hoped the ship might be on the bottom by the time this issue hits the newsstands, or in the coming days. At this point it looks more like the second or third week of August. Overall, we are close to the sinking of the largest vessel to be used as an artificial reef on the east coast, and the second largest in North America next to the Oriskany, an over 800 foot long aircraft carrier reefed off Pensacola, FL. Check the Coastal Fisherman online for the latest information. We'll break the news there when we get word. In the interim, the official website for the Radford project is: www.radfordreef.com.

### The White Marlin Open

It's nearly time for the big one. The 38th Annual White Marlin Open runs from August 8th through August 12th. To avoid any confusion, remember that all participants 16 years of age or older will need to be in compliance with the National Saltwater Angler Registry. Captains and crew should check to see if they are accounted for. If anglers are fishing aboard a vessel with charterboat/headboat Highly Migratory Species (HMS) permit, they do not need to individually register. Captain will account for trip

information via a separate survey conducted by the National Marine Fisheries Service (NMFS). If anglers are fishing aboard a private vessel with an Angler HMS permit, they will need to be registered. Before they register, they should check to see if they are already in the registry. Here is a simple checklist to see if you have already registered:

- 1. If anglers have purchased any state saltwater fishing license (except Hawaii, U.S. Virgin Islands or Puerto Rico) or have New Jersey's registration, they are already in the National Saltwater Angler Registry and they do not need to take further action
- 2. If they are the boat owner who purchased the HMS Angling permit, they are in the
- 3. If they purchased a NOAA registration in 2011, they are in the registry.

Note - Registration is on a calendar year basis. If you registered in 2010, you will need to register again in 2011.

If participating anglers have determined they are not in the registry, there are two ways to get registered:

- 1. Go to the NMFS website, https://www.countmyfish.noaa .gov/register/home.jsp
- 2. Purchase state saltwater fishing license

The process can be confusing and DNR will have staff on hand at the registration table for the White Marlin Open on both Saturday and Sunday to answer your questions.

### **License Questions**

Maryland DNR set up a special hotline for sportfish license inquiries. The number: 410-656-9526 has had high volume. Initially, we were getting questions on all kinds of license issues, but over the past

few weeks, the dominant callers have been asking specifically about coastal issues. Some of the most common questions have been:

- Do I need a license to recreationally crab? A: No, but you do need to adhere to the regulations on size (5 inches), and limits (one bushel per person and up to two max per boat). Note - peeler minimum is now 3.5 inches
- Do I need a license to recreationally clam? A: No. Minimum size is 1 inch, limit is 250 per person per day.
- Do I need a Maryland fishing license if I'm fishing off the National Park shoreline on Assateague Island? A: Yes, if you are 16 years of age or older.
- Do I need a license if I rent a boat? A: Possibly. Some boat rental facilities have purchased special boat decals to cover their patrons who rent boats from them. If this is the case, you will not need a sport fishing license. If not, then you will. Be sure to check before you
- Where can I buy a fishing license? Online A: www.dnr.maryland.gov or at any of our authorized agents, including: Skip's Bait & Tackle, Oyster Bay Bait & Tackle, Oceanic Pier, Captain Mac's Bait and Tackle, Fenwick Bait and Tackle, Sunset Provisions, Ocean City Fishing Center, Alltackle, John Henry's Bait & Tackle, Frontier Town, Buck's Place, Assateague Store, Sharkey's Market & Wal Mart just to name a few.

### Maryland DNR Summer Flounder Catch Rate Survey Underway

We are now past the halfway point in the new survey by MD DNR to compare catch rates of summer flounder being landed at public and private points of landing. The survey will be

running through the end of August. Maryland Saltwater Sportfishermen's Association (MSSA) volunteers distributing the simple, easy to fill out survey cards to anglers on the water during their fishing trips, capitalizing on the rapport between fellow anglers.

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So if you are fishing on the water and a fellow fisherman approaches you with a card in hand, please consider taking a moment to listen to them, fill out the survey card at the end of your trip, and drop it in the mailbox.

### **Atlantic States Marine Fisheries Commission** (ASMFC)

As you read this, the Atlantic States Marine Fisheries Commission (ASMFC) will be convened in Alexandria, VA for their summer meeting. Hot topics being addressed for the coast include discussions on Tautog, Atlantic Menhaden, Lobster, Spiny Dogfish, Weakfish and Horseshoe Crab management. In particular, the tautog discussion will be of interest to Ocean Fishermen. We will have an update on the outcome of this meeting in a future column.

### **Questions From Coastal** Fishermen Readers?

I welcome any questions you have on fisheries management, sport fishing licenses, or any other fisheries related questions. Please e mail your questions to:

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Until next week......good fishing!





David Wyszynski from New Castle, DE captured this 6 lb. 6 oz. flounder while fishing with a Storm Lure in the Indian River Inlet. Weighed at Bill's Sport Shop.



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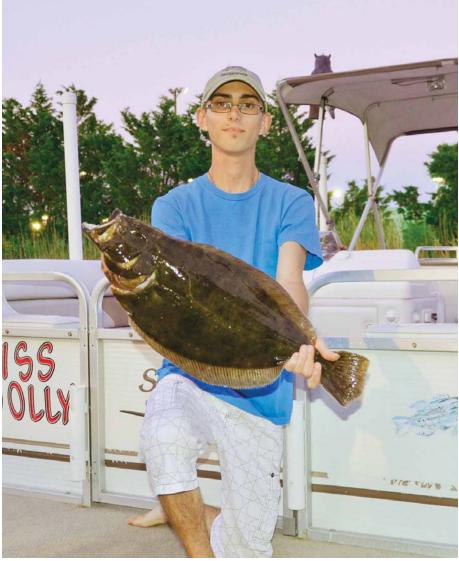
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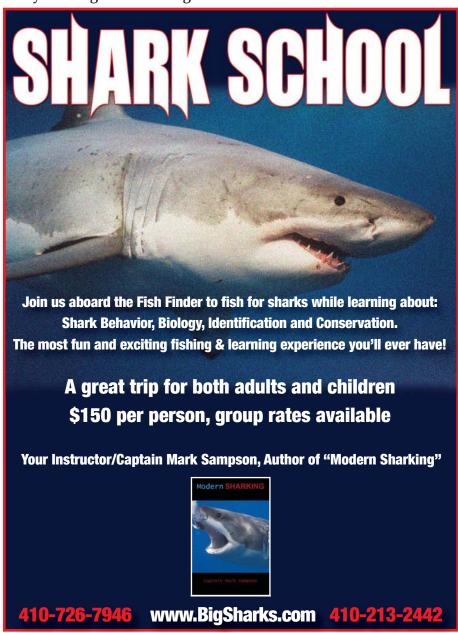
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Species	Ocean City	Delaware	Species	Ocean City	Delaware
Sea Bass	May 25, 2011 Ricky Herbert "Morning Star" 6 lbs. 4 oz.	May 27, 2011 Hobby Isaacs Reef Site 11 5 lbs. 10 oz.	Mako Shark	June 22, 2011 Robert Powell "Fish Finder" 640 lbs.	June 8, 2011 Chris Bowden "Misdemeanor" 231 lbs.
Tautog	March 30, 2011 Scott Allison Ocean Wreck 19 lbs. 8 oz.	July 2, 2011 William Bonniwell Wreck 11 lbs. 11 oz.	Thresher Shark	May 29, 2011 Charlie Lutes Fingers 470 lbs.	May 31, 2011 Alex Capozio "DB" Buoy 487 lbs.
Striped Bass	April 20, 2011 Robert Remo Rt. 50 Bridge 36 lbs.	May 18, 2011 Bill Winkler Indian River Inlet 45 lbs. 2 oz.	Bluefin Tuna	July 17, 2011 J.L. Cropper Hot Dog 128 lbs.	July 23, 2011 Chip Roman Poor Man's Canyon 108 lbs.
Weakfish	June 1, 2011 Paul Gillespie East Channel 4 lbs. 6 oz.	No Weights Reported	Yellowfin Tuna	June 10, 2011 Joe Cox Baltimore Canyon 103 lbs.	June 12, 2011 Tony Burr Wilmington Canyon 90.6 lbs.
Speckled Trout	No Weights Reported	No Weights Reported	Longfin Tuna	No Weights Reported	No Weights Reported
Flounder	May 28, 2011 Bob Spetzler East Channel 8 lbs. 8 oz.	July 22, 2011 Randy Colona Indian River Inlet 12 lbs.	Bigeye Tuna	July 6, 2011 Crew "Marli" 280 lbs.	June 12, 2011 C.C. Lee Wilmington Canyon 157.6 lbs.
Bluefish	May 21, 2011 Alexa Lamplugh Fingers 14.8 lbs.	July 17, 2011 Quinton Kramarck Indian River Inlet 11 lbs.	Dolphin	July 8, 2011 Kevin Carlisle Rockpile 40 lbs.	July 7, 2011 Kelly Horning Baltimore Canyon 42.6 lbs.
Sheepshead	June 18, 2011 Michael Guigley South Jetty 13 lbs.	July 2, 2011 Kyusok Yi Ice Breakers 12 lbs. 9 oz.	Wahoo	July 16, 2011 Jason Andrews Poor Man's Canyon 81 lbs.	July 23, 2011 Jeff McMahon "American Ambition" 41 lbs.
Cobia	July 10, 2011 Gail Pulvere "Lisa's Way" 35 lbs.	No Weights Reported	White Marlin	Most Releas July 2, 2011 "Spike's Boat" Washington Canyon 7 releases	es in One Day July 5, 2011 "Outlet" Baltimore Canyon 5 releases

For a copy of this page or to report your catch, call the Coastal Fisherman at 410-213-2200



Avid angler David Chaveca from Montreal, Canada was fishing in the bay off 28th Street when he hooked into this 23-inch flounder while using minnows for bait. David was fishing on the "Miss Dolly" during the incoming tide.





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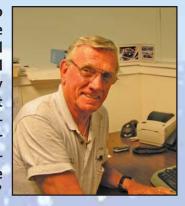
Glen Hastings of Inland Cove, Inc. Boat Storage says, "Ever since we started advertising in the Coastal Fisherman we have seen a good increase in the number of customers. We know the business is coming in from the Coastal Fisherman ad because many times they show up with the ad in their hand."





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Capt. Nick Clemente of "Get Sum" Charters says, "People see our ad and photos in the Coastal Fisherman consistently, and that really helps us book trips on a near daily basis. A lot of our customers also see the "Get Sum" video on the Charter Boat Directory section of the Coastal Fisherman website."

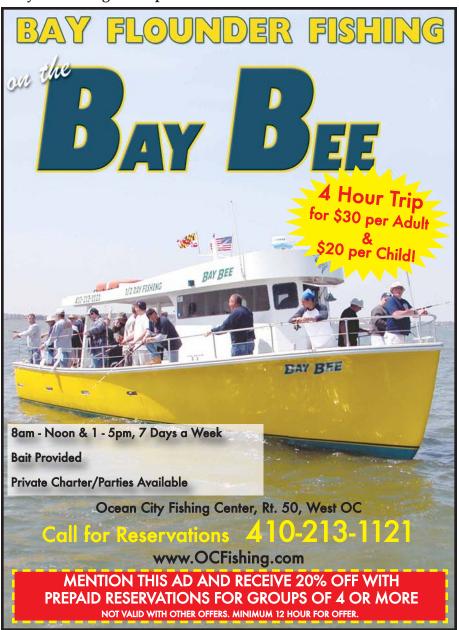
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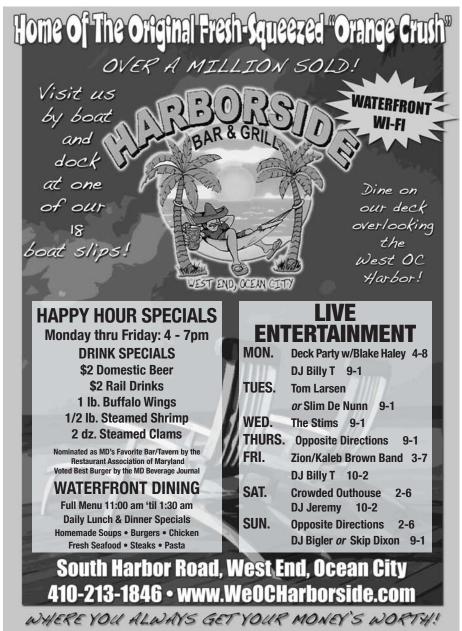
Jon Toberman from Selbyville, DE landed a 27.5 lb. dolphin at the 461 Lump while fishing with Tom Brinker on "Carol's Teakettle". They also landed another smaller dolphin on a trolled ballyhoo during the trip.





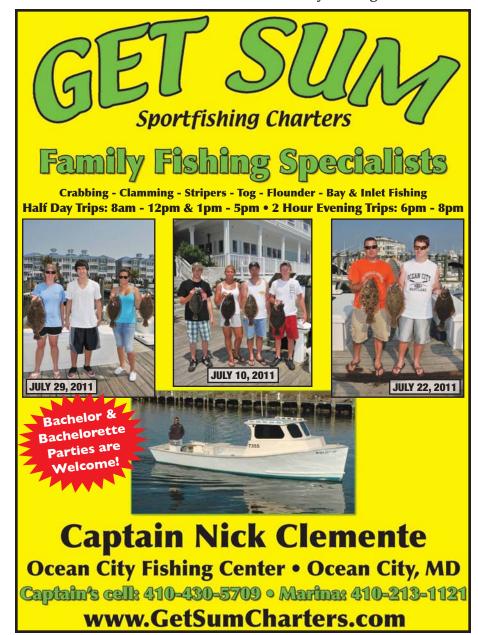


Hayley Summerville (left) from Medford, NJ landed a 36 lb. yellowfin and her sister, Ashley caught herself a 32 pounder and a small dolphin, both while fishing at the Lobster Claw on the "Outnumbered" with their dad, Kevin Summerville. The crew also released a mako shark during the trip. Pictured at Hook'em &





Tristen and Abigail Gonder from Scottsdale, AZ and Laura Rigsby from Frederick, MD returned with 3 keeper flounder after fishing on the "Get Sum" with Dana and Patricia Gonder, Capt. Nick Clemente and mate Lizzy Brittingham. The flatties were hooked on bunker and Gulp! in the West Channel off Gudelsky Park. The largest fish measured 22-inches. Pictured at the Ocean City Fishing Center.



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Sheepshead	20"	8 lbs. or 22"
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Weakfish	24"	9 lbs. or 31"

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Brent Heller from Deal, MD released a white marlin and Michael Holtgrewe from Atlanta, GA boated a big dolphin while fishing on the "Sea Slammer" with Robbie Bostedo from Nashville, TN, Michael Condon from Atlanta, GA, Capt. Joe Nolan and mate Josh Wentling. The fish, along with another smaller dolphin, were hooked on trolled ballyhoo at the Rockpile. Pictured at Sunset Marina.



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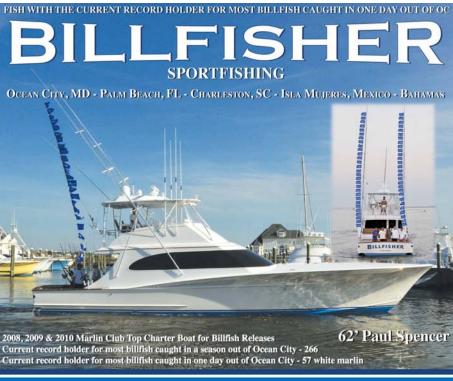
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Floyd Martin from East Earl, PA landed this 24-inch, 5 lb. flounder while fishing in the bay behind Bahia Marina.





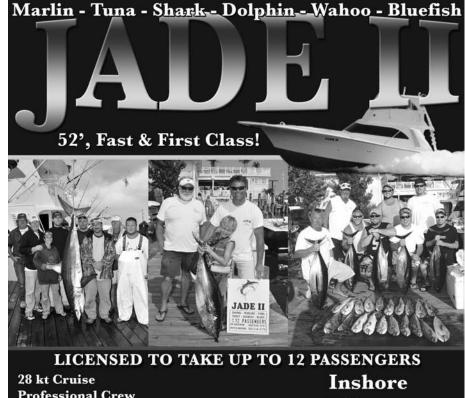
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Bob Rytter from Reisterstown, MD, Bill Kline from Hydes, MD, Dave Selby from Annapolis, MD and Brooks Kline from Baltimore, MD ended their day with 2 stripers and 4 bluefish (not pictured) in the box. The fish, measuring 31 and 36.5-inches, were caught on live spot near the Rt. 50 Bridge while fishing on the "Lucky Break" with Capt. Jason Mumford and mate John Morton.



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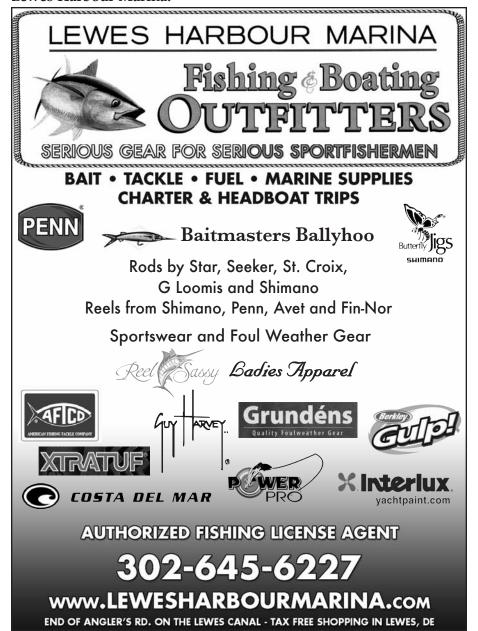


SPERRY ASV'S





These anglers made the trip from Lewes, DE down to the Washington Canyon and were rewarded with 7 yellowfin tuna weighing up to 52 lbs. Fishing on the "Katy Did" with Capt. Brent Wiest and mate Dave Walker were Mike Buskirk, Dan Keppler, Matt Shollenberger, Todd Mahorsky and Hector Rosado. The fish were caught on ballyhoo and spreader bars in 120 fathoms. Weighed at Lewes Harbour Marina.





Andrew, Marcus, Samuel, Elmer and Matt King, along with Jake Lance, all from Lancaster, PA, returned to the Indian River Marina with 2 yellowfin tuna after fishing in 500 fathoms between the Hot Dog and the Baltimore Canyon on the "Blue Water Obsession".

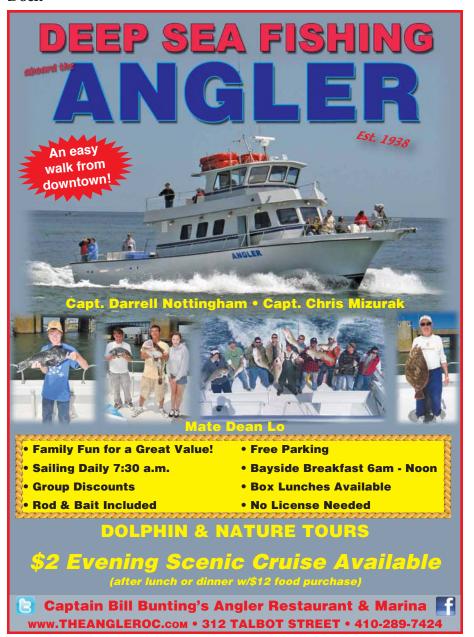


Looking to get over the Philadelphia Flyers choking in the NHL playoffs, John Cacchio and Don Holdren went fishing with Gulp! artificial baits in the bay behind Assateague Island and landed this pair of 18-inch flounder.





Anglers fishing on headboats around ocean wrecks and reefs are pulling in some nice flounder, as shown by this pair caught by Dylan Stufflebeam from Averill Park, NY and Wayne Gower from Baltimore, MD while fishing on the "Angler" with Capt. Chris Mizurak and mates Matt Temple and Dean Lo. Both fish were caught on clams at the Jackspot with Wayne's winning the pool at 21.5-inches and an even 4 lbs. Pictured at Capt. Bill Bunting's Angler Dock





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Tony Torres from Clarksville, MD, Mark Susol from Frederick, MD, Alan Couto from Dunn Loring, VA and Ann Willet from Mohton, PA brought home some nice size sea bass after spending the day fishing on the "Morning Star" with Capt. Monty Hawkins and mates Mike Kinder and Tucker Colquhoun. All of the fish were caught on clams at a natural reef. Pictured at the Ocean City Fishing

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